

Application Serial No. 09/806,573  
Amendment dated July 7, 2003  
Reply to Office Action dated February 19, 2003

Please add the following **Abstract**:

A gate for controlling passage through an opening including a first support means located on one side of the opening, a second support means located on the other side of the opening, at least one elongate member, having a first and a second end, extendable across the opening between the first and second support means; and a control means for releasing the at least one elongate member to thereby enable passage through the opening, and drawing in the elongate member to thereby restrict passage through the opening.